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Petersbourg, September 2, O. S.

ON the 30th paſt the Feaſt of St. Alexander was celebrated at Court with great Magnificence and Splendor. The Ruſſian Squadron returned the latter End of laſt Week to Cronſtadt, but it is expected that Vice-Admiral Obrien will be ſent out again to try ſome new built Prahms and Bomb Veſſels.

Naples, Sept. 6, N. S. This Morning the Queen's Delivery of a Princeſs was notified to the Publick, by the ringing of the Bells of the Churches, and firing the Cannon of the Caſtles. This Notice was received with general Satisfaction, and the City, and Nobility, are preparing to make great Rejoycings on the Occaſion. On the 3d the Magiſtrates of Health of this City, did by Direction from Court, ſuſpend Communication with Gibraltar and Port Mahon, as well as the Admittance to Pratick in any Ports of the Two Sicilies, of ſuch Veſſels as ſhall be viſited by any Britiſh Man of War, without performing Quarantine.

Rome, Sept. 10. Among the many Reformations the Pope has made to eaſe the Chamber, he has retrenched about 80000 Crowns per Annum out of the Expences of his Courts, and has deprived ſeveral Perſons of Quality of Aſſignments granted to them privately in the late Government out of the Pope's Purſe by the Intereſt of Cardinal Corſini. On the 3d the Malteſe Ambaſſadour, attended by the Knights of that Order, had an Audience of the Pope, in which he complimented him, on the Part of the Grand Maſter, on his Election. On the 5th Cardinal Corſini was to take a formal Poſſeſſion of the Archprieſtſhip of St. John Laterano, of which he has ſubſtituted Vicar Sig. Riccardi, and on the 7th that Cardinal ſet out hence for Tivoli for Change of Air, very much diſpleaſed, 'tis ſaid, at the Conſent given by the Pope to a Deputation of Cardinals, to examine and judge the Cauſes demanded of him by Cardinal Coſcia, for the Damages which in the late Government he ſuſtained by being deprived of his Benefices. On the 7th Duke Ceſarini, in the private Chapel of his Palace, inveſted the Conſtable Colonna with the Order of the Golden Fleece, lately conferred upon him by the King of Spain. On the 8th the Pope, with the uſual Formality, went to the Church of Popolo, where the Conſtable Colonna, as Ambaſſadour Extraordinary from the King of Naples, attended by the Princes Borgheſe, Paleſtina, the Dukes Ceſarini, Lanti, Altemps, Caffarelli, &c. Feudatories of the Kingdom of Naples, in a Cavalcade, preſented to the Pope the Horſe for the Tribute of the Kingdom of Naples, and in the Evening there were Illuminations and Bonfires at the Farneſe Palace.

Berlin, Sept. 27, *N. S.* On Saturday his Pruſſian Majeſty had another Attack of his Quartan Ague at Potzdam. Yeſterday he removed from thence to Charlottenburg, and it is ſaid, propoſes to be in Town To-morrow.

General Poſt Office, March 14, 1739.

Whereas the Poſt-Boy, who was carrying the Worceſter Mail from London to Southall, was ſet upon this Morning about Four of the Clock, between Audley-ſtreet End and Tyburn Turnpike, by Two Footpads, one of which was a luſty Man, in a white Cape Coat, who preſented a Piſtol to the ſaid Boy, and demanding the Oxford Bag, led him into a Field againſt Audley-ſtreet End, opened the Mail, and took thereout the Worceſter and Oxford Bags; the Worceſter Bag containing the Ludlow, Tenbury, and Bromyard Letters; the Oxford Bag containing the Burford, Whitney, and Woodſtock Letters.

The Poſtmaſter General thinks proper to adverti ſe the Publick, that whoever ſhall apprehend and convict, or cauſe to be apprehended and convicted, both or either of the Perſons who committed the ſaid Robbery, will be intituled to a Reward of 200 *l. beſides the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen. Or if any Perſon, whether Accomplice in the ſaid Robbery, or knowing thereof, ſhall make Diſcovery whereby the Perſons, or either of them who committed the ſame, may be apprehended and brought to Juſtice, ſuch Diſcoverer will, upon Conviction of the Party or Parties,*